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OF THE
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WITH

CHARTS AND ILLUSTRATIONS

and Pertinent Facts Concerning the Church from

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P R E F A C E

IN PREPARING this historical record I have endeavored to make a more complete recording than that given in an address made in 1934 on the occasion of the celebration of the 140th Anniversary of the First Resident Pastorate, and also in some manner—perhaps only by inference—to correlate the “history of this church and the times connected therewith from the earliest dates obtainable,” as was contemplated by a committee headed by the Pastor in 1883.

WILLIAM H. AYERS

*Metuchen, New Jersey
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History of the First Presbyterian Church

Part I

THE WOODBRIDGE AREA SIX MILES SQUARE WAS ACQUIRED IN 1666 IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE

Articles of Agreement

"ARTICLES agreed and concluded upon between the Hon'ble Philip Cartaret, Esq., Governor of the Province of New Jersey, in the behalf of the Lords Proprietors, and Mr. John Pike, Mr. Daniel Pierce, and Mr. Abraham Toppin, in the behalf of themselves, and the rest of their Associates, the 21st day of May 1666.

IMPR.—It is agreed that the aforementioned persons and their associates shall have liberty to settle one or two plantations or Townships, consisting each of fourty or one hundred families, more or less, between a creek or river called Rawawack River and the Raritan river—"

[There are a dozen Articles in the Agreement. The one that particularly interests us is the third:]

"3dly—That in matters of God's worship there shall be liberty of conscience granted them, every man to enjoy his own judgment and opinion according to the Lords concessions, Provided that the liberty granted shall not extend to *licentiousness*, nor to the disturbance of the sivill peace; and that in every town there shall be allowed 200 acres of Land for the maintenance of the Ministry, which is to remain from one incumbant to another; there shall likewise land be allowed for the building of a church, churchyard, and for all other *publique* uses, which are to be exempted from paying any tax or the Lords rent of an half penny pr acre forever."

The group represented consisted of about sixty-five families who came from Newbury, Mass., or its vicinity, where they left their aged and honored pastor, the Rev. John Woodbridge.

Two hundred acres were set aside as parsonage grounds and the revenues derived therefrom were to be used in the support of the ministry. One hundred acres were also set aside for the personal use of the minister, and ten acres for the "kirk green." Included in the area of this large tract, known as the "Great Parsonage," is the New Jersey State Home for Disabled Soldiers. The church at Woodbridge sold this large tract to Elias Dye and Cornelius Wychoff, lumbermen. Mr. Israel Thornall, a trustee of the church at Metuchen, afterwards bought a part of this tract on Parsonage Road.

The entire parcel was sold "Always excepting and reserving out of the above tract of land the school house lot containing thirty hundredths of an acre more or less."

In the early days matters relating to the church were settled in town meetings.

Inscribed in the handwriting of Nathaniel Wade, in the Parish Book of the Presbyterian Church at Woodbridge, we find that on—

"January 29, 1707-8—Was gathered the Church of Christ in Woodbridge, N. J., by Nathaniel Wade, Pastor.

"Present there were as messengers, two from ye Church of Newark and one from the Church of Elizabethtown. The foundation of ye Church was laid first upon three persons who had been communicants in other churches. Viz: Sam'l. Hail, John Pike, and Noah Bishop."

This foundation group of three formed the ideal base upon which to build an evangelical church.

Sam'l. Hail, better known as Sam'l. Hale, was registered on the town books as a carpenter. He held some small office in the Township Court, and a number of marriages are recorded as having been "Married by me, Sam'l. Hale." He was an invaluable man, a good carpenter and joiner.

The first church edifice we learn of at Woodbridge, was erected in 1675. This church was Congregational in its inception, but was received into the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 1710.

Inscribed in unidentified handwriting, but most probably that of Henry Cook, on the first pages of the first Session Book of our Metuchen Church —then 2d Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge—we find this record:

"A SESSION BOOK OF THE SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CONGREGATION IN THE
TOWNSHIP OF WOODBRIDGE, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX AND
STATE OF NEW JERSEY."

"Together with a short history of It's rise and progress."

"A. D. 1717—There was a small church built in the north west part of the township of Woodbridge called Matuchen for the purpose of preaching lectures in every fourth week, on week-day by the Rev. Mr. John Pierson, then minister of the first Presbyterian congregation in the township aforesaid to which congregation we were then united.

"1753—We built a larger church and applyed for part of the preaching on the Sabbath, but was refused.

"1756—We incorporated ourselves into a church and united with New Brunswick and was supplyed half of the time by the Rev. Mr. Cummins, and after his leaving New Brunswick we were supplyed by the New Brunswick Presbytery until the year 1770.

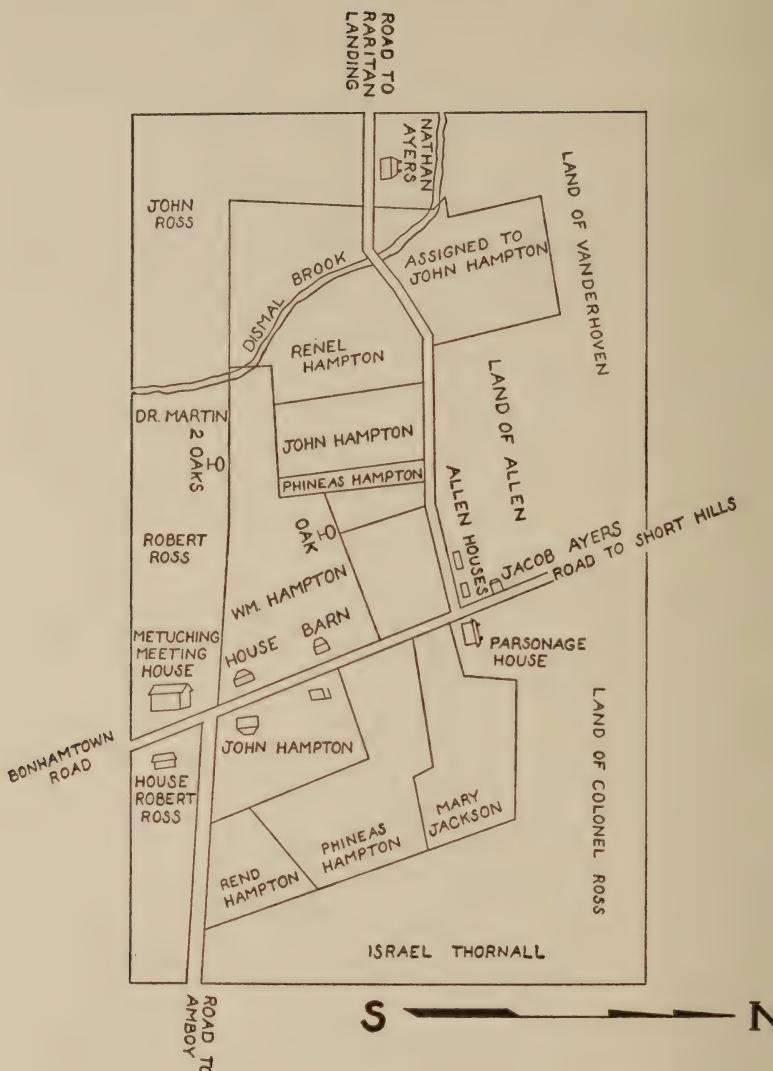
"1770—We again joined Woodbridge congregation. The first congregation to have three fifths of the time, and we were to have two fifths, under the preaching of the Rev. Mr. Azel Roe.

"1772—We then made application for to have preaching half of the time, and it was granted us, we continued in this union until May, A. D. 1793.

"1792—The first congregation made application to the presbytery to dissolve the union, but it did not succeed. In this year we enlarged our church the second time.

"1793—May—They again renewed their application for a dissolution of the union, and finally accomplished their purpose. We then made application for supplies and obtained them for one year.

"1794—May—We unanimously joined to call Mr. Henry Cook as our minister, which he accepted of. And November the fifteenth he was installed and inducted as our Pastor."



[“Road to Short Hills” is now North Main Street; “Road to Raritan Landing” is now Durham Avenue; “Road to Amboy” is now Woodbridge Avenue.]

Part II

FROM THE "METUCHING CONGREGATION BOOK," JUNE 2,
1784, WE LEARN THAT:

"Mr. Roes Sallery is per year	£140.
The personage at Woodbridge is rated at	18.
	122.
The half for Metuching is	61.
The half of the Town personage to be paid by Metuching	9.
Total for Metuching	£ 70. - 0 - 0
The Great personage rent for 1780 to 1782 inclusive is £50 & 60-1-4	110. - 1 - 4
The personage rent for 1783 & 4 is	118. - 8 - 0
The half for Metuching is	59. - 4 - 0"

"Collectors—to be responsible for Mr. Roes Sallery on their respective districts. March 30, 1786

<i>Seat Numbers</i>	
Ebenezer Ford	No. 1 to 6 inc.
Zachariah & George Kelly	" 7 " 14 inc.
Dr. Mel ⁿ Freeman	" 15 " 21 inc.
Ellis Bloomfield	" 22 " 28 inc.
James Manning	" 29 " 37 inc.
Timothy Bloomfield	" 38 " 42 inc."

REV. AZEL ROE, D.D., 1770-1793

Dr. Azel Roe was a man of distinction. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Yale College, was a member of the first Presbyterian General Assembly at Philadelphia, and was Moderator of the General Assembly in 1802—the highest honor obtainable in the church.

He was an effective preacher and a faithful pastor—also an ardent supporter of his country, his zeal causing his arrest by the British and imprisonment in the “Sugar House” in New York.

As showing a little of the customs of these early times, it is said that on one of his visits among the people of Metuchen, a Mrs. Dugall Campbell reminded her husband that the parson was to preach there that night, and that they had no spirits in the house. Someone was sent at once to Bridgetown (the old name of Rahway) to obtain the essential of a warm hospitality.

Dr. Roe's first wife died in 1794. In 1796 he married the widow of a Mr. Burnet, former Consul to France. She was greatly beloved by Dr. Roe, so much so that it was thought his decease only four days after her departure was hastened by her loss. Both funerals were attended by Dr. John McDowell, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth; his text was “The memory of the just is blessed.”

The 1753 church, which was in the old Burying Ground plot west of Main Street, is described in Hunt's *History* as being about 36 x 25 feet enclosed with shingles, and roof being four-sided or “Mansard.” From a draught of the floor plan, June 2, 1784, in our old Record Book we learn that there were 42 seats and pews downstairs and 22 seats in the gallery.

The side slips against and parallel with the walls were designated as pews, distinguishing them from the seats. The one door of the church was on the south side.

The late Mr. Charles C. Campbell, who had been a member of our Sunday School forty years and thirty-four as Superintendent, stated in his address October 29, 1916, on the occasion of the One-hundredth Anniversary of the Presbyterian Sunday School, that the old church floor was covered with white sand, and that the only heat they had in the church was from the foot-warmers they brought with them.

I am of the opinion that this second church building contained none of the furnishings such as pews and seats until 1784 when the above-mentioned Plan or Draught of seats was made. This opinion is confirmed, to my way of thinking, by a record of October 29, 1784, regarding settlement with the Managers of the Lottery for finishing and repairing the Meeting House. The balance shown in the final accounting the following year amounted to about £20. Lotteries were resorted to in most of the colonies to raise funds for particular objects which were frequently of great public utility. In 1759 there was one for building a church in Newark, highest prize \$1,000.

In 1786, an act was adopted by the Legislature authorizing Congregations to elect Trustees. On April 5, 1787, we proceeded to choose and elect the following as Trustees: Benjamin Manning, John Conger, John Ross, Ebenezer Ford, Ellis Ayers, Timothy Bloomfield, and Robert Ross.

The Clerk signed a certificate of election of each Trustee. The Trustees took Oath of Allegiance to the State and Oath of Office before a Justice of the Peace. Before this time, Collectors had been appointed to attend to financial affairs.

Between church services, one of which was held in the morning and the other in the afternoon, the people ate their dinners which they had brought with them, and enjoyed a social time. Business and pleasure were combined when a goodly list of workers cut and drew Dr. Roe's firewood, and one of the number was chosen to superintend the business and provide victuals and drink for those that attended.

In 1792 it was decided to enlarge the meeting-house by an addition of fifteen feet, change the roof, and add chimneys. Application was made to the Trustees of the Lower Congregation for timber from the Great Parsonage Tract for the enlargement. Our application was refused.

However, we went ahead with the project and Jonathan Freeman was given the contract, to wit:

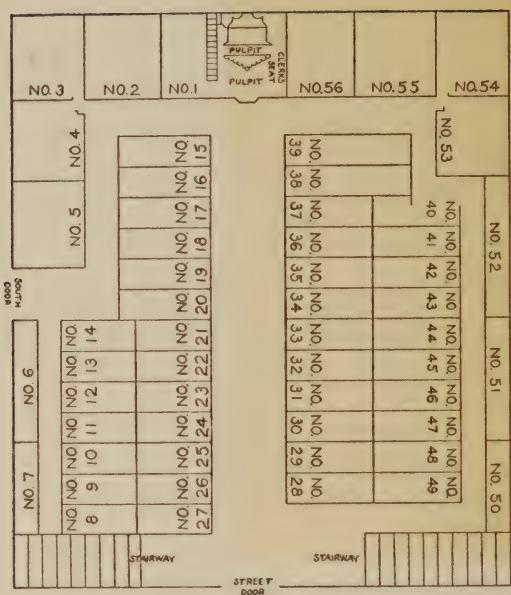
"Himself at 6/- per day, one hand at 5/-, one hand at 4/6 and an apprentice at 3/6. And asks no Rum or any other Spirits and will go through in work as much as any other undertaker."

About £275 was subscribed for the enlargement. The work being finished in October, "the Board made a Draught of the Seats—Numbered and Rated them for the rents, or Taxes thereof per year" and entered the Draught at the beginning of the current Record Book.

In 1792-3 the 42 pews and seats brought for the year £60/11; in 1794-5 the 56 pews and seats of the enlarged church brought £127/6. (Up to and including 1805, rents were shown in pounds, shillings and pence. From 1806 they were shown in dollars and cents.)

It will be observed that a short stairway afforded entrance to the pulpit from the left side. There is a record that "over the pulpit was a high sounding board, at the top of which a gilded star shone continually." However, a bill was rendered by an artisan, in 1823, for "canopy for pulpit."

The seat of the Clerk was on the right side of the pulpit. There were two choristers to raise the Psalms.



FLOOR PLAN AFTER ENLARGEMENT IN 1792

REV. HENRY COOK, 1794-1824

Immediately after the separation from the mother church, Mr. Henry Cook of Morris County was called to become the first resident pastor. On May 1, 1794, he became our pastor. He was then a young man, and was a student of Princeton College about 1789. It is also related that he graduated from Rutgers College (then called Queens College).

He was described on his first appearance at Metuchen as a spare-built, medium-sized man, dressing in the shoes, stockings, and breeches of a Continental costume. At times he was subject to much depression of spirits, a good preacher and a "Beloved Pastor," as attested by an inscription of "Aunt Cornelia Ross," on a silhouette of him, kindly given me by her grand-niece, Miss Julia Bogert.

It was told by Dr. John C. McDowell that in 1810 when the Presbytery of New York, which embraced the city of New York and the eastern part of New Jersey as far as the Raritan river, decided to examine candidates for the ministry in the Hebrew language, Mr. Cook was the one usually appointed to examine them.

In 1818 a revival was conducted and ninety were received, and twenty-seven at the next Communion. Mr. Cook continued his labors until a short time before his death on September 17, 1824. The church membership then numbered about two hundred.

It was customary for the minister to wear a scarf in the pulpit following the death of a member of the church. One Sunday he appeared wearing three scarves.

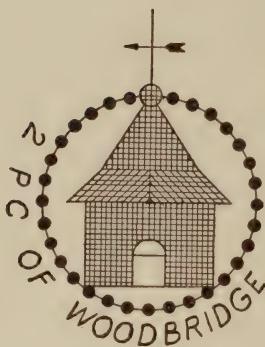
Mr. Cook's funeral arrangements were undertaken by the congregation, and upon examination of the bills, one is led to believe that in those days wakes were in order.

A white marble stone marks his grave in the western part of the Old Burying Ground.

THE
GRAVE OF THE REV.
HENRY COOK
30
YEARS PASTOR OF
THIS CHURCH
WHO DIED
SEPT. 17TH, 1824
AGED 55 YEARS

He was a man of unassuming manners and of good and cultivated mind, a sound divine, a faithful and useful preacher and pastor and Christian indeed in whom there was no guile. The bereaved congregation in token of their affection have erected this stone in his memory.

He was a good man.



METUCHING MAY 6TH 1799

Mr. B. Manning, the President of the Board of Trustees
laid before the Board the necessity of making a Common Seal
for the Corporation of the Trustees of this Board;
Whereupon *Resolved* that Col. Robert Ross be appointed
to apply & contract with an Ingraver to cut & make a seal
with the device following, to wit, the figure of a church
thus, with the letters and words round it thus,
2 P. C. OF WOODBRIDGE

A LIST OF NAMES OF THE MEMBERS, MAY 1, 1794

1. William Ford
2. Trephine, his wife
3. James Manning
4. Franka, his wife
5. Matthew Freeman
6. Margoret, his wife
7. William Manning
8. Anna, his wife
9. Dugal Campbell
10. Sarah, his wife
11. Daniel Compton
12. Rachel, his wife
13. Melanthon Freeman
14. Sarah, his wife
15. Eliseus Bloomfield
16. Hulda, his wife
17. Benajah Mundy
18. Lovie, his wife
19. Phineas Carmin
20. Hulda, his wife
21. Henry Freeman
22. Rachel, his wife
23. Eliseus Ayres
24. Sarah, his wife
25. Zacheus Kelly
26. Martha, his wife
27. John Martain
28. Sarah, his wife
29. Robert Ross, Senr
30. Mary, his wife
31. Ezekiel Ayres
32. Maribe, his wife
33. Nathan Bloomfield
34. Elizabeth, his wife
35. Thomas Goodfellow
36. Agnes, his wife
37. James Taylor
38. Timothy Bloomfield
39. Phinas Manning
40. Thomas Manning
41. Dugal Campbell, Junr
42. John Bloodgood
43. John Campbell
44. Joseph Bonney
45. Reuben Ayres
46. Isabel Mundy
47. Phebe Ayres
48. Martha Talmage
49. Martha Pangborn
50. Sarah Hampton
51. Elizabeth Coon
52. Temperance Ayres
53. Sissel Noe
54. Rachel McMinn
55. Mary Ayres
56. Unice Ayres
57. Rachel Enos
58. Margoret Trimback
59. Deborah Mundy
60. Sarah Mundy
61. Elizabeth Mundy
62. Sarah Brown
63. Hannah Bloomfield
64. Annaher Perry
65. Abigail Rowland
66. Mary Corry
67. Hester Martin
68. Nancy Vanderhoven
69. Rachiel Pain
70. Mary Mundy
71. George Kelly
72. Amos Noe
73. Mary, his wife
74. Joseph Ayers
75. Hume, his wife
76. Lydia Compton

77. Elizabeth Thornall

The year of 1795 was one of a great deal of activity, both ecclesiastical and temporal. The Session proceeded to clean up our unfinished business from the time of the Session Meeting of April 19, 1793, acting for First and Second Congregations. Previous to that time one Session, upon which we have no record of representation, acted for both congregations.

It is worthy of mention here, that the record shows that James Manning, of the upper congregation, was chosen as a Ruling Elder, April 15, 1793, or four days previous to the last meeting of Session for both congregations.

The unfinished business was due to a citation which was not answered and which resulted in a Suspension.

Tolerance was not a customary characteristic of the early church. One's conduct had to be above reproach. Suspension of privileges of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper were meted out. Restoration to offenders was made only after profession of sorrow and repentance—often obtained in writing. Suspensions were published to the congregation from the pulpit.

After receipt of opinion of counsel as to our equity rights in the Great Parsonage Tract, we decided to prosecute. It gives one a mental picture of the congregation to review the totals shown on one of the exhibits used in litigation.

EXHIBIT N

"A list of Freeholders, Supporters of the Gospel, of Families of Free Inhabitants, and Acres of Land, in the Second Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge."

Freeholders	79
Supporters of the Gospel	101
Families Heads thereof	101
Free Inhabitants	495
Acres of Land	5017

[Census taken July 8, 1799]

The case was carried from Chancery to the Court of Errors, and in 1800 decided in favor of Woodbridge by a vote of eight to five. An attempt was again made to reopen the case in 1815.

In 1795 a house and lot located on the east side of Main Street and opposite Durham Avenue was purchased from a Mr. Bates for a parsonage at a cost of £200.

From 1796 to 1804 various kinds of fencing were tried, all the way from "enclosing the front of the Burying Ground from the two corners of the meeting-house with a board fence," and later with "good white

oak posts and cedar or chestnut rails" to "a board fence around the Burying Ground." Even with all this good attention, a stalwart citizen some years afterwards was startled one night by a white apparition in amidst the stones. Upon investigation it was found that a sheep, which had found its way in, had been trapped in an open grave and was trying to get out.

The oldest marker is of brown sand-stone and dates from 1731:

AS YOU ARE NOW SO ONCE WAS I
IN HEALTH AND STRENGTH, THO HERE I
LIE—
AS I AM NOW SO YOU WILL
BE
PREPARE FOR DEATH AND FOLLOW ME
JOHN CAMPBELL, Decd OCTOBR
YE 15TH 1731
AGED 72 YEARS

Numbers of our Revolutionary dead repose here and, thanks to the D. A. R., many lasting markers have been erected. Some of the old sandstones are as perfect and beautiful as the day of their placement, but others have flaked and weathered surfaces. Quite a few stones in this Old Burying Ground are inscribed—an elder "in this church," for the support of the Gospel "in this church," and other "in this church" designations. This reference, put there as a silent witness, causes us to ponder the thought that here in "God's acre" the Church Militant unites with the Church Triumphant in Heaven.

In 1803 the financial strain brought about by the litigation and the considerable amount of arrears to Mr. Cook caused the sale of the parsonage, which was bought by Col. Robert Ross.

The necessity for raising additional revenues became apparent again in 1805, when a new procedure was instituted, viz.: that of "Putting out the Seats and Pews" by Vendue to the highest bidder. Evidently the venture was not successful, as the following year it was agreed that the Trustees average a price upon them and that they be put out as was formerly done.

One-third of an acre, purchased from Capt. Richard Ross, was added to the Burying Ground in 1807, and in 1813 two and twenty-one-hundredths acres were purchased from Robert Ross.

Our Sabbath School was first held in the district School House, now the League House on Middlesex Avenue. It was established in 1816, with Mr. William Ross, Superintendent. Mr. Lewis Thomas was the next superintendent, and the School was conducted in the church.

Mr. Cook's Register of Marriages is large and includes slaves as well as freemen: "June 15, 1816 Cato (a black man belonging to Michael Mundy) to Mary (a black girl belonging to Wm. B. Manning.)"

All records were well kept, writing legible and frequently in most excellent penmanship.

In 1823 a bill was rendered for 28½ gal. whale oil at .34 — \$9.69. From an itemized bill of Richard Ross for services as doorkeeper, running from 1825 to 1827 inclusive, with interest charges thereon, we note candles by the pound, for lighting the meeting-house.

From the summary of accounts of Simeon Mundy, Treasurer, we find many charges of interest, some running for as much as six years. Another bill rendered by Mr. Ross is for his charges of

\$1.84	for boarding Revd Wilkinson 9 days and
.30	for keeping his horse for the same period.

\$2.14

REV. MICHAEL OSBORN, 1825-1827

Rev. Michael Osborn, born March 21, 1796, a student of Princeton Theological Seminary, class of 1822, was ordained by the Presbytery of Elizabethtown in 1825. He was installed here February 23, 1825, as our second pastor, and served until June 26, 1827. Why so brief a pastorate is not known. He was a scholarly man of earnest piety and great fidelity. The size of families in the early days was something to talk about—he was the father of seventeen children. After leaving here he resumed his labors in the Southland and continued until illness overtook him. He died July 3, 1863, of a painful malady, and it was said by those who attended his last hours, that the atmosphere surrounding him was like unto a benediction.

During the first year of Mr. Osborne's pastorate here it was "Resolved that by leave of Providence we will hereafter celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper four times a year, on the first Lord's Days in March, June, Sept., and December."

Several of the converts of the great Cook revival in 1818 were inducted into the eldership to fill vacancies caused, chiefly, by the death of several who first were called to serve the church in its earlier years.

Saturday, June 3, 1826, was set apart for fasting and prayer with observance in the church at 4 P. M. A similar service was held the following year.

Also it was resolved in November, 1826, "that the congregation be divided into seven districts, one for each elder, and that from this time it shall be the duty of the several elders to accompany the pastor in his visits in the districts assigned them so that at least one day in every week may be spent that way."

REV. HOLLOWAY WHITFIELD HUNT, 1828-1844

Rev. Holloway W. Hunt was installed as the third pastor April 29, 1828, and remained until 1844. He was the son of Rev. Gardiner A. and Ruth Page Hunt, born in Kingwood, Hunterdon County, N. J., March 31, 1800. He received his early education from Rev. Dr. Robert Finley, who conducted a school at Basking Ridge, N. J.

He graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1818 and from Princeton Seminary in 1822, in the same class as his immediate predecessor Michael Osborn. He was ordained by the Presbytery of Newton in 1824.

There were a number of large ingatherings during his term of service, the most notable, perhaps, in 1843 when fifty-five were received.

The late Ezra F. Mundy related that when he was a small boy, his father sent him to take Mr. Hunt some salary he had collected. Mr. Hunt, on counting the money, which was seven dollars, remarked that it was a very strange sum to send.

Mr. Hunt's body and many members of his family repose just a few steps from this house of worship, which was built during the successful days of his ministry.

The forward movement for erection of a new church building was started in 1834 by Stelle Manning, William M. Ross, and others. Realization of the closeness of the projected railroad with its attendant disturbance appeared to be sudden, and not until the present church building project was under way.

The property for the railroad's right-of-way was acquired in 1835, and the first passenger train was viewed by the children released from the old Franklin School for the occasion and assembled in the church yard in 1836.

During May, 1835, meetings were held to discuss the "exciting" problem of location. Some thought the line of the survey would not be adhered to, others did. However, it was deemed essential "to determine

whether it would be necessary to select some place to set the new church, different from this, on which the old one stands." The congregation appointed a committee to determine "the amount of damages that may and probably will be sustained in consequence of this exciting subject. . . . And also as members of the congregation are in the habit of tying their horses near where the said line runs and as they will be compelled to remove the place of tying their horses they are thereby further aggrieved."

The land on Woodbridge Avenue on which the church and parsonage stand, also that occupied by the new cemetery, was negotiated for in 1834 and bought from John Hampton, Sr., at \$30 an acre. Our present church edifice was dedicated January 30, 1836, the building being about 40 by 60 feet.

The account of the Treasurer of the Building Committee, Simeon Mundy, shows that in addition to \$175 from Lewis Thomas for the old church building, subscriptions were received in amounts ranging from one dollar to a note for one thousand dollars. The total receipts amounted to \$4,067.27. Solomon Brothers, the contractors, were paid \$3,530, and John Thompson \$60, for stoves, a total of \$3,590.

Today, after 111 years of service, the building is sound and in excellent condition and sustains the wisdom of the congregation in selection of the contractors.

Mr. Thomas used the beams from the old structure in building a house at the north-west corner of Middlesex Avenue and Main Street. The house was moved, not so many years ago, to its present location, 484 Middlesex Avenue. With the rest of the lumber he built a barn. Dr. Mason was wont to tell of an incident which happened, although the date differs: A lady making a call upon a friend remarked, that on her way there, she had seen oxen in church. It is here we are reminded of the Saviour's birth.

In 1844 considerable money was spent to again enclose the Burying Ground. There were bills rendered for carting loads of boards from the saw-mill in New Brunswick, and also from Rahway, together with toll charges.

As an instance of the smallness of the income of some of the old parishioners, we find credits given against pew rents in some of the accounts: for apples, \$1.75; part of an old fence sold at Vendue, \$5.10; an apple tree sold by , 50 cents.

REV. PETER H. BURGHARDT, 1847-1850

Peter H. Burghardt was installed November 30, 1847, as the fourth pastor, and served until June, 1850. Born in Stockbridge, Mass., September

8, 1809, early in life he removed to western New York and united with the Brick Presbyterian Church in Rochester in 1833. He reached manhood before deciding to become a minister. He graduated from Union College and Auburn Theological Seminary. After leaving the Seminary he served a church in Fentonville, Mich., where he was ordained in 1844.

Mr. Burghardt was an excellent man and active in his ministry, but after a few years opposition arose and the pastoral relationship was dissolved. In 1861 he became a chaplain in the Army and served during the war. His son Charlie was killed just before the fall of Richmond.

A subscription was taken in December, 1847, for the present manse, built during his pastorate; and the "Report of the Building Committee of Parsonage House," rendered May 2, 1849, indicates that

The house, barn and fences cost	\$ 2,325.22
and payments made on account	1,374.86
Balance due	\$ 950.36

and that a note and mortgage was given for the balance. This venture did not prove as gratifying as that of the church raising, but at last we were again able to provide the minister with a proper parsonage.

REV. ROBERT SMITH FINLEY, 1850-1857

Rev. Robert Smith Finley was installed as the fifth pastor, November 14, 1850, and remained until October, 1857. He was a son of the Rev. Robert Finley, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Basking Ridge, N. J., and the head of a school there somewhat renowned. His mother was a daughter of Rev. James Caldwell of Elizabethtown who, with his wife, was so cruelly shot by a British soldier during the Revolutionary War. He graduated at Princeton College and entered upon the study and practice of law, but after a few years turned his attention to the ministry. After several years of service in the West he came to Metuchen.

Mr. Finley was the first person—either Moderator or Clerk of Session—to sign the Minutes of Session. This was done September 29, 1850. It is recorded in the minutes that he moderated this meeting while the pulpit was vacant. Following in the educational footsteps of his father, he organized an academy for boys, while Mrs. Finley conducted a school for girls. His school stood on the Amboy turnpike nearly opposite the Reformed Church. It was subsequently moved to the grounds of the church and is now annexed to it. His style of preaching was clear and unadorned and as a commentator he had few equals. On favorable occasions the body

of the church was filled and almost every seat in the gallery occupied. There came a demand for the enlargement of the building, and in 1857 an addition was built, adding forty seats to the former sixty of the building, and a corresponding enlargement of the galleries. The matter of holding a festival to provide funds for refurnishing the church brought latent opposition to a head, and the pastor firmly declared that he would not walk on a carpet purchased with "festival" money. Various dissensions culminated in his retirement, and some forty of his friends withdrew from membership and organized a Reformed (Dutch) Church.

REV. GARDINER SPRING PLUMLEY, D.D., 1858-1875(6)

Our sixth pastor, Rev. Gardiner Spring Plumley, a minister of New York, was installed April 28, 1858, and remained until 1875 or 1876. He was born in Washington, D. C., on August 11, 1827, and graduated from Yale College and Union Seminary. At first he was very popular and the church made good progress. In 1867 a gracious revival took place and forty were added on profession. During his pastorate the "term system of eldership" was adopted. This rule for non-succession lasted for only a little over a year.

After some years a number of the members started attending some other place of worship, and they were placed under discipline and suspended for neglect of the ordinances. The remedy proved worse than the disease.

Mr. Plumley's death occurred in 1894 at Greenfield Hill, Conn., where he was pastor of a Congregational church. He and some of his family are buried in Metuchen in a lot in the cemetery, donated to him by the church.

On February 26, 1858—by an Act of the Legislature of New Jersey, the name of the church was changed from Second Presbyterian Church of Woodbridge to the First Presbyterian Church of Metuchin in Woodbridge Township. The name of the church was also changed upon the roll of the Presbytery of Elizabethtown by a vote of Presbytery at New Providence, Wednesday, April 7, 1858.

In the same year we endeavored in vain to ascertain means to be used to resuscitate our Parochial school.

We celebrated a Day of Fasting September 26, 1861, in accordance with Presidential proclamation.

A spire was erected upon the church in 1863 and a pipe organ was installed—it was probably a very small organ. There evidently had been a steeple previously, as a bill of Hiram Goltry was rendered in January, 1854, for "work on church steeple Nov. 22, 1853." The first bell was

hung in 1865. It developed a crack in 1890 and had to be re-cast, and though a quantity of silver was added when re-cast, its measured strokes of four, with a minute intermission between each four, calling the folk of the countryside to worship, never seemed as musical as the original tone.

In 1866 we were pleased to honor the request for the use of the Lecture Room on Sabbath afternoons for the new Methodist Episcopal Church in Metuchen. This arrangement continued for several years.

At a Parish Meeting held May 5, 1866, it was resolved "That it be a standing rule of this congregation, that we elect this day one or more Trustees in place of the oldest Trustee now in office, and at each parish meeting hereafter the oldest Trustee's time of Service shall expire and another be elected in his place." Mr. William Ross, supposing himself to be the oldest Trustee, thereupon resigned, and Mr. Charles C. Campbell was duly elected to fill the vacancy.

In June of the following year, it was ordered that the church be draped in mourning until after the next Communion Sabbath in respect to the memory of William Ross, Esq., an Elder and Trustee for many years.

In 1869 a plan was adopted for a Standing Committee of three—having direction, care and supervision of both Burying Grounds. The Committee elected was composed of Lewis Thomas, Charles C. Campbell, and R. Bruce Crowell.

Coal stoves for the church were purchased in 1870. Most likely they proved inadequate, as the next year a furnace was placed under the church and an entrance and chute for a coal bin made on the east side.

A pipe organ was procured the same year and a room built back of the pulpit for it. This organ had been in the Institute for the Blind in New York and frequently used by Fanny J. Crosby, the hymn writer. She again played the organ when on a visit to Metuchen.

In 1872 a land lease for a nominal sum of one dollar a year was made with the Hook and Ladder Company, to put a building for apparatus housing, to stand on the line of the railroad lot parallel with and opposite the Academy. Notice of termination of the lease was given eight years thereafter. It was customary to ring the church bell as a fire alarm, and keys to the church were kept at the parsonage and by the Foreman of the Hook and Ladder Company. An alarm was recognized by the rapid and uninterrupted strokes of the bell. It was but recently that Mr. Harry Oliver returned the big door key, which had been in possession of his father, Foreman James Oliver. That key now reposes in the church vault as an historical exhibit.

It was shown in our Statistical Report of 1875 that the church had under its care one student for the ministry.

On March 11, 1876, Rev. John F. Pingry moderated as Stated Supply. This arrangement continued for about a year. This same year a committee was authorized to procure a new desk for the pulpit or remodel the old one as thought best, and to change the platform at their discretion.

REV. JAMES GILBERT MASON, D.D., 1877-1925

On April 24, 1877, Rev. James G. Mason was installed as our seventh pastor. He was the son of Archibald R. and Lucinda R. Mason and a native of Tennessee. Graduating from Williams College in 1863, he went to Atlanta with Sherman in the U. S. Sanitary Commission in 1864. In 1866 he graduated from Union Theological Seminary in New York.

After the death of his first wife, Mr. Mason gave up his pastorate of North Presbyterian Church of Washington, D. C., and traveled extensively in Europe and the Holy Land. Although he also had an invitation to a church in Baltimore at the same time as our call, he chose the smaller community, where he served actively until January, 1925, when he collapsed in the pulpit. He resigned the following June. On recommendation of the congregation, Presbytery conferred upon him the title of Pastor Emeritus. His activities and qualities are summed up in the resolution adopted by Session at the time of his death, March 18, 1938, in the ninety-seventh year of his age:

“Whereas Dr. Mason has served this parish actively and sacrificially for a period of forty-eight years, was a champion of Prohibition and a convincing advocate of Benevolence, especially of Missions, as evidenced by the life and work of his daughter in our Mission Boards, and later in the field in India, and his own work during a lengthy visit to that field,

“*Therefore be it resolved* that we bear testimony to his dignified and amiable personality and intellectual achievements, also his financial ability resulting in our accumulation of some thousands of dollars during the period of his leadership. Be it further resolved that his baptisms of approximately five hundred into the Christian faith and reception of over eight hundred into the fellowship of this church, have left their marks upon us as indelibly as the marks of the doors and their fastenings upon the entrances of the pews of our old and historic church.”

A bronze memorial tablet was placed in the vestibule of the church. Like Paul, he was a traveled man, and also preached on shipboard. He is buried in the adjoining cemetery.

In 1878 the Session instituted additional prayer meetings in the outposts of the congregation, at some of which places such services had not regularly been held. Thus an Elder visited these places in turn and conducted the meetings on Friday evening of each week, and took with him a brother Elder or church member—and so had a prayer meeting at four points of the congregation every Friday evening. Also, by the occasional visits of the Pastor the Word was preached. No mention is made of the places, but writings and recollection of old inhabitants indicate school houses at New Durham, Bonhamtown, and Oak Tree, with Menlo Park as the probable fourth, as Sunday School was at one time conducted in the railroad station at that place.

This same year a debt of about \$5,000 against our church was cleaned up by contributions received from some seventy-odd subscribers.

Thomas A. Edison brought out the phonograph in 1877 at his laboratory in nearby Menlo Park. Not long thereafter one of these wonderful machines was loaned by the inventor for use at an entertainment in our church. The audience was astonished at hearing the reproduction of the human voice.

For thirty days after the death of President James A. Garfield, September 19, 1881, following his assassination July 2, the pulpit was heavily draped and also the organ, in front of which was a portrait of the President. Likewise, the front of the church was gracefully festooned in black and white. There was a commemoration service, in which the Rev. Mr. Cammen, Dr. E. M. Hunt, and Dr. Mason made appropriate addresses, that of Dr. Mason being the more intimate on account of his personal relationship with this Williams College alumnus.

June 11, 1882, it was resolved that a "Cemetery Fund" be created by subscription and/or the sale of lots and the income from same be used for maintenance and improvement of the two present cemeteries.

The succeeding year we proceeded to move the old Academy building, which stood about 150 feet north-west of the church, to its present position adjoining the church on the west side. This building was extensively remodeled in 1902 to accommodate various departments of the Sunday School.

Further improvements were made in 1884, when two kerosene oil lamps and lamp-posts were placed, one in front of the church and one in front of the parsonage.

A strip of land behind the church was sold to the Pennsylvania Rail Road in 1887 for the purpose of straightening their roadway. A number of graves had to be re-located in consequence. Before the end of the year it was "Resolved that the proceeds of the sale of land to the Railroad Co.

for \$3000. be invested as a ‘Real Estate Trust Fund.’” The income and interest were to be subject to the disposal of the Trustees in accordance with the resolution.

Retrogressing at this point for the purpose of endeavoring to visualize the land transactions, we refer to the year 1854, when a vehement written protest was made by an individual against the contemplated sale of some land to the Railroad Company, as a violation of contract—land that belonged to the Old Church Yard and which was claimed to have been given for burial purposes in 1845 by the Estate of Lewis Campbell. This flame was evidently perpetuated until 1868, when a remonstrance was signed by some fifty-odd members of the congregation.

A tract of four acres, apparently a part of the old church ground west of Main Street, was mortgaged by Fred Betts in 1794 to Lewis Campbell. The following year it was assigned by him to Benjamin Manning, then President of the Trustee Board. In 1797 Mr. Manning assigned the mortgage to the church. As far as can be ascertained, there was no restriction in the instrument.

Examination of Mr. Campbell’s will, made in 1841, fails to disclose any provision for the disposal of any property, real or otherwise, to the church.

A sale was made by the church to the Railroad in 1854 of a very, very small piece of land somewhat triangular, on the northern extremity of the Old Burying Ground; also the plot of ground upon which the present Railroad Station stands; and in 1888, the plot east of the station extending to the present boundary line.

Like the excitement of the coming of the railroad, we are unable to explain the matter more fully.

The year 1888 saw our church building thoroughly repaired and stained glass windows substituted for the old ones. An historical address was given by Dr. E. M. Hunt, an appropriate sermon by the pastor, and a gift of a walnut pulpit, baptismal font and communion table was received from Samuel D. Kelly, a former Trustee.

Shortly thereafter Edwin Hopkins, a Princeton student, was engaged as organist and choirmaster, the church to pay his transportation “to and from.” He courted and married a daughter of the Rev. Ezra F. Mundy, then living in Metuchen.

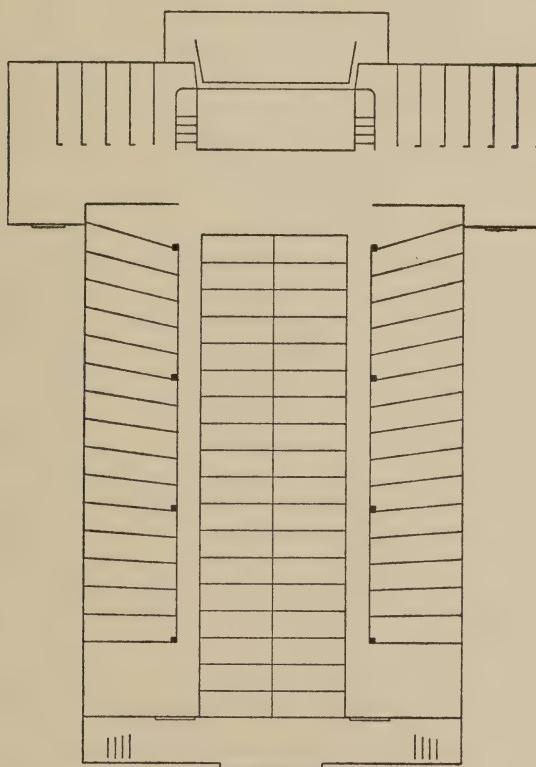
A close-coupled working unit was inaugurated when a house was built adjacent to the church in 1894 for the occupancy of the sexton.

Three years later the old school room or western addition to the parsonage was removed, through the instigation and financing by the Ladies’ Improvement Guild, for their project to erect a piazza. This work was

undoubtedly done for the comfort of Mrs. Mason as a substantial token of their love and affection.

It was in 1899 that we had occasion to express our thanks to the Fire Companies of Metuchen. The church caught fire the evening of February 28-March 1, from the fall of a chandelier. But for the efficient work of the firemen it would have been consumed. The entire interior was damaged. The chandelier consisted of a closely-set circle of lamps which was pulled down from the ceiling by a long pole when the lamps were filled or lighted, and raised by a counterweight in the attic.

The contract with the sexton in 1881 provided that he "avoid as much as possible the spilling of kerosene." However, the trouble most certainly lay with the mechanism. Electric lights were installed at the time of the restoration.



FLOOR PLAN, AFTER THE RESTORATION IN 1899

An Individual Communion Service was purchased and became ready for use in September of the same year. Previous to that time the silver tankard and chalices—now regularly displayed—served the congregation.

Dr. Mason's Twenty-Fifth Anniversary was appropriately celebrated in February, 1902, and attended by many persons of note.

In April, 1906, the Trustee Board was readjusted in conformity with a new state law of the same year. The number of Trustees was changed to nine and the term of office specified was three years.

A new organ was bought in 1908, and a contribution of one thousand dollars was made toward its purchase price by Andrew Carnegie. An electric blower was added eight years later.

We began use of the Duplex Envelope system in 1909.

Our first Chinese communicant, Huie Ling, aged 28, was received after baptism and confession of faith in 1914.

At Sunday evening service held the fifteenth of November, 1914, the Rev. Arthur E. Harper and Miss Irene Mason, daughter of the pastor, were commissioned as Missionaries to India. The charge was given by the Rev. William P. Schell, Assistant Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions. Two days later the happy couple were married in the church and sailed for Lahore, India, on the twenty-first.

We adopted the Every Member Canvass method in 1917.

A little after this time the Government decided, as an efficiency measure, to set the time ahead one hour, for the spring and summer months. Some amusing and discomforting incidents occurred the first Sabbath after establishment of the Daylight Saving period, when several persons, unaware of the change, were observed coming into church and up the aisle at approximately the close of the morning service.

By order of the Federal Government a five-mile limit law was enforced around Camp Raritan abolishing nineteen saloons in the adjoining township. All liquor saloons in the Borough were banished.

In accordance with the Proclamation of President Wilson a memorial service was held May 30, 1918. We met with the Confederation of Churches at St. Luke's Episcopal Church. Our World War I Service Honor Roll numbered twenty-two. The one supreme sacrifice was made by Edward O. Fugel.

REV. GEORGE ARCHIBALD HUMPHRIES, 1925-1942

On October 7, 1925, the Rev. George Archibald Humphries, who graduated at Brown University and studied theology at Andover Seminary, became the eighth pastor since 1794, and he served seventeen of the

one hundred and forty-eight years of the Presbyterian Church at Metuchen. He labored as a Minister of the Gospel for a period of a score and ten years, and has a most noble genealogical heritage, having been preceded in that Christian calling by his father, Rev. Elijah Humphries, D. D., and followed by his son, Rev. Bertram E. Humphries. He resigned his charge in 1942 and was made Pastor Emeritus by order of Presbytery.

A largely-attended Bible Class for men was conducted during his pastorate. A "Vested Junior Choir" was organized in 1925. Late the same year we became participants in the Service Pension Plan.

On April 21, 1930, the building of a two-story and basement brick building was authorized for educational purposes. The Planning Committee consisted of: Edward J. Koster, for Trustees; Paul W. Prather, for Sunday School; and William H. Ayers, for Session. The Educational Building was dedicated Sunday, June 14, 1931.

In December of 1934 the 140th Anniversary of the First Resident Pastor was celebrated.

At the beginning of 1937 the Session commended Bertram E. Humphries to the Presbytery of Elizabeth for candidate to the ministry. He was licensed in 1939 and ordained at Metuchen the following year.

REV. ADOLPH HENRY BEHRENBURG, TH.D., 1942—

On October 2, 1942, Rev. Adolph Henry Behrenberg, Th. D., was installed as our ninth and present pastor. He is the son of William Christian and Leona Behrenberg, and was born June 13, 1914. He is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh, and read theology at Princeton Seminary. In 1942 he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Theology by Union Seminary.

It was during the latter part of 1942 that the eastern addition was removed from the manse and the whole building reconditioned and redecorated.

A Board of Deaconesses, nine in number, was authorized and elected to take the place of the Board of Deacons, "dissolved as of even date, viz.: March 16, 1943." Also, a Youth Choir of high school age was organized.

During October of the ensuing year enlarged pictures of the early pastors were hung in the Lecture Room. In 1945 a much-appreciated Board Room was made by acquiring space in the adjoining building north of the church auditorium, with direct access therefrom.

A week-day educational program for children was initiated, holding a

half-hour of religious teaching during the Friday afternoon period of "released time" from the public schools. A Forward Movement was started for the purpose of building a Social Center.

May 8, 1945—V. E. Day—a prayer service was held. A thanksgiving service was conducted August 14, 1945, upon receipt of word of surrender of Japan and the end of the war.

Our World War II Service Honor Roll numbered 109. Richard Davis, William Hunter, Robert Thomas, and William R. Thornall made the supreme sacrifice.

In retrospect we picture the worshiper's modes of travel to and from the Meeting House—some on foot, those on horseback, and the sturdy farm wagon without springs and often drawn by oxen; then the vehicle with seats resting on springs; to the speedy carriage team of matched sorrel mares, fastened to the hitching post by the farmhouse door, preparatory to the trip to the church one Sabbath morning, while the head of the house pursued a red fox whose long list of barnyard depredations was brought to an end that morning in Mine Gully at Menlo Park.

And now we use the efficient motor car.

We have enjoyed measurable increase in membership, both by profession of faith and re-affirmation, also by transfer. Untold credit is ascribed to the volunteers of the various choirs, the Sunday School, the Brotherhood, the Young People's and the Women's organizations, the Ladies Aid Society, the Women's Missionary Society, and the Guild, in their loyal Christian activities in their fields of the Master's Vineyard.

Bequests

- 1807—Daniel McGregor left £150 or Three hundred and ninety five Dollars “for the support of the Gospel in this church,” as inscribed on his brown sand-stone marker in the north side of the Old Burying Ground. He joined the church in 1805 and occupied a seat in the gallery.
- 1814—Capt. William Manning left a legacy for the support of the Gospel in this church, as inscribed on his marker in the Old Burying Ground. He was an Elder for nineteen years.
- 1823—Thomas Manning also bequested. He served for many years as both Elder and Trustee.
- 1824—Capt. Matthew Freeman, an Elder for twenty-nine years. An extract from his will: “To the Trustees in trust, the sum of One hundred dollars for the support of the Gospel in said church: the principal to be put to interest and the income of same to the support of the Minister of said church for the time being, and his successors in office forever.”
- 1859—Melancthon Mundy, an Elder nineteen years and a Trustee for thirty-two years. His legacy was for the amount of a note for money loaned the Trustees of this church.
- 1879—John Watson, an Elder for sixteen years, also a Deacon. Bequest “To be used for the temporal interest of the church.” He was born in Kirkby, Nottinghamshire, England, and landed at New York December 11, 1827, as inscribed on his tombstone in the adjacent cemetery.
- 1893—Benajah Mundy, a Trustee from 1860, succeeding his father, Melancthon, who was President of the Board at the time of his decease. The legacy was invested as the “Mundy Trust Fund.”
- 1905—Erastus Freeman, a Trustee for twenty years. His legacy: “To be invested safely and the income applied for uses of the church.”
- 1909—Henry Wittnebert, a farmer living on Amboy Avenue. He bequested 1/40th of the price of sale of land by his Estate per terms of will.
- 1922—Charles C. Campbell, an Elder twenty-seven years, a Trustee eighteen years, and President of the Board at the time of his decease. He left a legacy to the church.

- 1924—Susan M. (Mrs. Joel) Compton, a faithful church member for fifty-eight years. She made generous provision for the church in her will.
- 1926—Rev. Ezra F. Mundy, joined our church in early life. He had various pastorates, but never had one in Metuchen. His bequest is designated for use as a Trust Fund.
- 1930—Theodore W. Hunt, son of a former pastor. He occupied the Chair of English Literature in Princeton University. With the help derived from his bequest we were able to make the Educational Building possible.
- 1934—Annie Jaques (Mrs. William) Roberts, a loyal member of the church for years. She lived on the old Great Parsonage Tract. Her legacy included the property where she lived.
- 1935—Amy Eddy (Mrs. Theodorus B.) Hascall, the daughter of William Eddy and Sarah Daniels, who was a daughter of Ellis Daniels. She was born in the old Daniels house on Woodbridge Avenue near the location of the manse. This house, now situated at 28 Homer Place, is believed to have been built in 1750. After her marriage, she lived for many years in Hawaii. Shortly before her death she re-joined the church of her early years, to which she made bequest.

P A S T O R S

REV. AZEL ROE, D.D.	Joint Pastor	1770-1793
REV. HENRY COOK	First Resident Pastor	1794-1824
REV. MICHAEL OSBORN		1825-1827
REV. HOLLOWAY WHITFIELD HUNT		1828-1844
REV. PETER H. BURGHARDT		1847-1850
REV. ROBERT SMITH FINLEY		1850-1857
REV. GARDINER SPRING PLUMLEY, D.D.		1858-1875 or 1876
REV. JAMES GILBERT MASON, D.D.		1877-1925
REV. GEORGE ARCHIBALD HUMPHRIES		1925-1942
REV. ADOLPH HENRY BEHRENNBERG, TH.D.		1942-

Several of the members of the church have entered the ministry:

1. Joel Campbell, an uncle of the late Elder Charles C. Campbell.
2. Ezra F. Mundy, son of Elder Melancthon Mundy.
3. Dewitt H. Thomas, son of Trustee Lewis Thomas, died of tetanus while pursuing his studies for the ministry.
4. Prof. Theodore Whitfield Hunt, son of a former pastor.
5. Lester Platt, son of George and Eva Platt, served as a preacher in a little mountain town near Corballis, Oregon.
6. Ellis H. Ayers, son of Trustee Henry E. Ayers, labored for many years in Y. M. C. A. work in Army camps, both during and after World War I.
7. Bertram E. Humphries, son of the Pastor Emeritus.

Miss Susan Day Grimstead, a sister of Elder James A. Grimstead, was our first member to enter the Foreign Mission field. She served for a number of years in Siam, and after her return to the United States she continued her work in the Mid-west.

Mrs. Irene Mason Harper, daughter of Dr. Mason, is still in the field in India.

R U L I N G E L D E R S

James Manning	1793-1797 D	Augustus Blackford	{ 1876-1879
Eliseus Bloomfield	1795-1802 D	Francis Grimstead	1880-1889
Capt. Matthew Freeman	1795-1824 D	William C. Martin	1876-1879
Melanthon Freeman, M. D.	1795-1806 D	Robert Bruce Crowell	1878-1920 D
William Manning	1795-1814 D	James A. Grimstead	1879-1925 D
Maj. Phineas Carman	1798-1815 T	Benajah M. Kelly	1879-1903 D
Col. Phineas Manning	1798-1804 M	John J. Clarkson, Jr.	1889-1890 D
Thomas Manning	1804-1819 D	Samuel F. Hay	1889-1895 D
Benajah Mundy, Esq.	1804-1823 D	Robert McDougall	1890-1893 D
Richard Ross	1813-1844 R	Charles C. Campbell	1893-1920 D
Lewis Thornall	1813-1823 T	Arthur W. Marshall	1894-1904 D
John Campbell	1822-1826 D	John W. Binginer	1895-1901 M
Simeon Mundy	1822-1844 R	George C. Mundy	1901-1904 D
Robert Ross	1822-1827 D	Augustine Ray Campbell	1903-1940 D
Samuel Bloodgood	1825-1854 D	Joseph Wheeler Clark*	1904-
Melanthon Mundy	1825-1844 R	William Joy	1905-1908 R
Enos Talmage	1825-1843 D	Alvin V. Decker	{ 1908-1919 R
Amos Noe	1825-1840-I	L. Ernest H. Hancock	{ 1930-1937 D
John Henry Campbell	{ 1839-1844 R	William Henry Ayers*	1919-1939
	1847-1861 T	George Edward Kelly*	1940-1947 D
Stelle Manning	1839-1857 T	George A. Murray	1920-
William M. Ross	{ 1839-1845 R	Alonzo Clark Hunt, M. D.	1921-
	1857-1867 D	Harry L. Vincent*	1925-1937 D
Daniel S. Voorhees	1839-1845 R	Richard S. Johnson*	1926-
David Bloomfield	1847-1857 T	William Nuber	1930-
Benajah Mundy	1847-1877 D	Paul W. Prather	1933-1940 D
Smith Bloomfield	1853-1857 T	Hugh Farrell*	1933-
Albert Edgar	1853-1857 T	Ernest B. Pape*	1935-
Luther B. Mundy	1853-1869 D	Ralph Whitman*	1935-
Ezra M. Hunt, M. D.	1857-1873 T	John Smith	1940-1943
John V. P. Voorhees	1857-1873 R	John Inglis*	1943-
John Watson	1857-1873 R	Arthur H. Johnson	1943-1944
Henry Redfield	1861-1863 R	Sterling E. Mayo*	1943-
John James Clarkson	{ 1871-1879	N. Howard Ayers*	1944-
	1880-1887 D	Archie S. Hill*	1947-
Moses Pierson, M. D.	1871-1874 D	Alfred W. Johnes*	1947-
Cornelius Voorhees	{ 1871-1873 R	Walter C. Letson*	1947-
	1878-1892 D	Frederick W. Luttmann*	1947-
David Gilmer	1873-1877 T		
Jasper Newton Smith	1873-1875 T		
John William Weed, M. D.	1873-1875 D		

D—Died

M—Moved

R—Resigned

T—Transferred Membership

*—Now in Office

D E A C O N S
FIRST BOARD ESTABLISHED AND ELECTED MAY 28, 1853

John J. Clarkson	May 28, 1853	Benjamin C. Paddock	1894-1897
David Thomas	May 28, 1853	Llewellyn Hancock	1895-1898
John Watson	May 28, 1853	William T. Campbell	1897-1942
(Evidently this Board was allowed to lapse, as no election of Deacons was recorded thereafter until April 8, 1878, when a new Board was established.)			
Paul A. Diver	Apr. 8, 1878-1885	George Melick	1897-1903
James A. Grimstead	Apr. 8, 1878-1879 R	James Bradstreet	1898-1908
William H. Plumley	Apr. 8, 1878-1880	Bernard Wittnebert	1898-1910
Judson H. Gilbert	1879-1893 D	Edgar F. Campbell	1899-1938
William C. Martin	1879-1882	T. Mark Thickstun	1901-1903 D
Frank Grimstead	1880-1892	Ellis H. Ayers	1905-1930
Samuel F. Hay	1880-1889	William Henry Ayers	1905-1920
H. Alexander Campbell, Jr.	1881-1887	Charles B. Veghte	1910-1911 R
Cornelius I. Johnson	1881-1884	John V. Tappen	1911-1918 D
Alexander Ayers	1884-1887	Albert R. Sampson	1913-1919
John Trumbull Marshall	1885-1891	George Edward Kelly	1919-1921 R
Charles C. Campbell	1887-1893	Benjamin J. Mayo	1919-1921 R
John J. Clarkson, Jr.	1887-1889	John Wallace	1920-1938
John W. Binginer	1889-1895	William V. McKenzie	1921-1931
George McDougall	1890-1898 R	Sterling E. Mayo	1921-1943
Whitfield Mundy	1891-1897	Albert C. Gerber	1930-1943
William A. Morris	1893-1913 D	Alexander Meyers	1931-1940 R
Walter C. Campbell	1893-1899	John Rupp	1938-1943
		John Smith	1938-1941
		C. Howden Hill	1940-1940 D
		Roy L. Irwin, Jr.	1941-1943
Board of Deacons terminated, March 16, 1943.			

D E A C O N E S S E S
BOARD OF DEACONESES INAUGURATED MARCH 16, 1943

Louise (Mrs. James Harvey) Halsey*	1943-	Evelyn (Mrs. Howard V.) Thompson	1943-1947
Lenora (Mrs. Arthur K.) Hillpot	1943-1947	Henrietta M. T. (Mrs. William H.) Ayers*	1944-
Miss Mary Inglis	1943-1946	Marie (Mrs. Alphonse) Sey- fried*	1945-
Hillegard (Mrs. Fred) Jensen*	1943-	Helen Y. (Mrs. Ernest) Hancock*	1945-
Raughild (Mrs. Andrew) Kolb	1943-1945 R	Edna (Mrs. Albert) Brad- shaw*	1946-
Ellen Maria (Mrs. Edward J.) Koster	1943-1947	Ellen (Mrs. William H.) Fraser*	1947-
Alice (Mrs. Charles H.) Sie- bert	1943-1945	Miss Marion Silence*	1947-
Amelia (Mrs. Arthur L.) Thomas	1943-1944 R	Edna (Mrs. Edgar M.) Tal- bot*	1947-

PRESIDENTS OF THE BOARD

Ellen Maria Koster	1943-1947	Henrietta M. T. Ayers*	1947-
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*—Now in Office

R—Resigned

D—Died

PRESIDENTS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Benjamin Manning	1784-1799	Cornelius Voorhees	1867-1869
Col. Robert Ross	1799-1824	Manning Freeman	1869-1870
Simeon Mundy	1824-1845-6	Alexander Ayers	1872-1874
Smith Bloomfield	1846-1857	Charles L. Corbin	1889-1907
Melancthon Mundy	1857-1859	Charles C. Campbell	1907-1920
Lewis Thomas	{ 1860-1863	William T. Campbell	1920-1929
	{ 1870-1872	William V. McKenzie	1929-1937
William M. Ross	1863-1866	Thomas D. Ainslee	1937-1944
John Hampton, Jr.	{ 1866-1867	John H. Rolfe	1944-1946
	{ 1874-1889	John D. Witmer, M. D.*	1946-

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Benjamin Manning	1784-1799 R	William M. Ross	1836-1866 R
Ellis Ayers	1787-1802 R	David Bloomfield	1842-1857 T
Timothy Bloomfield	1787-1794 R	Timothy J. Bloomfield	1843-1845 R
John Conger	1787-1792 M	Ezra Ayres	1844-1851
Ebenezer Ford	1787-1798 D	William F. Manning	1844-1857 T
John Ross	1787-1794 R	Benajah Martin	1844-? D'58
Robert Ross	1787-1824 R	Smith Bloomfield	1845-1857 T
Melancthon Freeman, M.D.	1792-1799 R	Daniel S. Voorhies	1846-? D'82
William Bloomfield	1794-? D'21	John Henry Campbell	1848-1860 M
Richard Ross	1794-1824 R	Joel Dunham	1856-? D'80
Joseph Freeman	1798-1804	Lewis Thomas	1856-1872
Neil Campbell	1802-? S'14	Samuel D. Kelly	1858-1866 R
Thomas Manning	1802-? D'19	Benajah Mundy	1860-1862
Jonathan Thickston	1802-1804	John J. Clarkson	{ 1862-1869 R
Benajah Mundy	1804-1812 R		{ 1874-1880 R
Ephriam Thornall	1804-1805-6	Erastus Freeman	1862-1882
Ezra Mundy	1812-1834 R	Cornelius Voorhees	1863-1869
Benajah Campbell	1813-? D'25	Samuel Ayres	1866-1869 M
William B. Manning	1818-1825 P	John Hampton, Jr.	{ 1858-1867 R
Nathan Bloomfield	1821-1823 P		{ 1874-1889 D
Simeon Mundy	1822-1845-6	Charles C. Campbell	{ 1866-1871
Samuel Bloodgood	1823-? D'54		{ 1877-1920 D
Ezekiel Ayers	1824-1828 D	Manning Freeman	1866-1873
William W. Ford	1824-1831 D	G. H. Lindsley	1867-1870 R
John Hampton	1825-1855 D	Ellis F. Ayers	1868-1878 R
Samuel W. Ford	1827-? D'60	George Grecian	1869-1873 D
Melancthon Mundy	1827-1859 D	Melancthon Carman	1870-1871 R
Enos Talmage	1827-1843 D	Israel Thornall	1870-1883
Lewis Campbell	1831-1841	Augustus Blackford	1871-1878
Nathan Ayers	1834-? D'59	Moses Pierson, M. D.	1871-1874 D

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TRUSTEES — CONTINUED

Alexander Ayers	1872-1877 R	Virginia (Mrs. A. U.) Quint	1920-1927
Stephen W. Jones	1872-1879 P	Charles B. Veghte	1920-1935 R
David Fisher	1878-1892	John Reynolds	1921-1924 R
Benajah M. Kelly	1878-1901	William V. McKenzie	1924-1937 R
William H. Platt	1880-1881 R	Nettie J. (Mrs. Andrew J.) Tappan	
Judson H. Gilbert	1881-1893 D	Thorfin Tait	1924-1930 D
Charles L. Corbin	1882-1912 D	Edward J. Koster	1926-1935 D
Arthur W. Marshall	1883-1904 D	Clarence H. Wright	1927-1939
Henry E. Ayers	{ 1889-1911 1912-1926 D	Thomas D. Ainslee	1930-1934 R
George C. Mundy	1892-1899	W. Robert Hale	1935-1944
George W. Greason	1893-1907 R	John H. Rolfe	1936-1945
John M. Connor	1899-1903	DuBois S. Thompson*	{ 1936-1943 1947-
Robert Bruce Crowell	1901-1920 D	Albert Bradshaw	1937-1945
William M. Thornall	1903-1906	Edward B. Dana	1937-1943
Albert C. Case	1906-1916	Howard V. Thompson	1938-1946 R
John Trumbull Marshall	1906-1910 D	Edward H. Koyen	1943-1946
Eben H. Veen	1906-1916	Charles H. Siebert	1943-1946
B. Wittnebert	1906-1910	William H. Fraser*	1943-
George Edward Kelly	{ 1907-1911 1916-1946	John D. Witmer, M. D.*	1943-
William T. Campbell	1910-1937	Louis H. Meade*	1943-
Alvin V. Decker	{ 1910-1919 1927-1936	George Cumming	1944-1947
Edward Morris	1911-1926	Lawrence G. Gillam*	1944-
William A. Morris	1911-1913 D	Boyd M. Johnson*	1945-
Alice A. (Mrs. Whitfield) Mundy	1913-1924 R	Daniel H. Brierley*	1945-
John V. Tappan	1916-1918 D	John Rupp*	1946-
William H. Dunham	1919-1920 R	William C. Kempf*	1946-
David Ross	1919-1944	Arthur H. Johnson*	1946-
Peter Gay	1920-1921 R	Alfred W. Johnes*	1946-
		Howard L. Goodenough*	1946-

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James Manning	prior to 1792	Smith Bloomfield	1849-1857
Benjamin Manning	1792-1799	Melancthon Mundy	1857-1859
(During the period 1800-1824 it is known that Neil Campbell served 1802-1814 and for a time thereafter.)		Lewis Thomas	1859-1862
Simeon Mundy	1825-1845-6	William M. Ross	1862-1866
Ezra Ayres	1847-1848	Samuel Ayres	1866-1869
		John J. Clarkson	1869-1887
		Henry E. Ayers	1887-1926
		Miss Zoe S. Edwards*	1926-

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Dr. Azel Roe—to the first Assembly, 1789, and Moderator of the fourteenth Assembly, 1802.

Dr. James G. Mason—several times a Commissioner.

Joseph Wheeler Clark—twice a Commissioner, 1909 and 1926.

Robert Bruce Crowell—1914.

William H. Ayers—1943.

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Anderson, Mrs. Karl M.
Andrews, Mrs. Max
Anthony, Miss Barbara
Anthony, Mr. and Mrs. Richard
Applegate, Mrs. William
Arronet, Mrs. Herbert
Aspinwall, Mr. and Mrs. William
Aurelius, Mr. John
Ayers, Miss Nancy
Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. N. Howard
Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. William H.

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Barnekow, Mr. C. W.
Barnes, Miss Jean
Bartlett, Mrs. Ruth
Beck, Miss Ellen
Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Emil
Beck, Miss Nancy
Bien, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin
Bien, Miss Gloria
Bien, Miss Marjorie
Bilderback, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore
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Bloomfield, Mr. H. Lundy
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Brendel, Miss Joan
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Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon
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Brune, Mr. Randall
Bruner, Miss Barbara

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Carpenter, Mr. and Mrs. L. A.
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Carver, Mr. Eugene
Carver, Miss Nelda
Chism, Mr. Raymond
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Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold J.
Christensen, Mr. Arnold, Jr.
Christensen, Miss Carol
Christensen, Miss Mary Ann
Christensen, Mr. Marvin
Clark, Mr. and Mrs. J. W.
Clausen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles
Clausen, Miss Janet
Claypoole, Mr. James
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Press, Miss Margaret
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